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SUBJ: IV GRANT FOR FUJAIRAH RULER SHAIKH HAMAD BIN MUHAMMAD AL-SHARQI

REF: ABU DHABI 917 (LOU), 1075 (LOU), 517 (U), 1056 (U) AND
STATE 99539 (LOU AND DEPT AIR GRAM 8585 DATED 12 OCTOBER, 1973.

H.H. SHAIKH HAMAD, FUJAIRAH RULER, HAS DISCUSSED HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT

TO US WITH UAE PRESIDENT, WHO IS VERY PLEASED, BUT INSISTS THAT
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR SHAIKH HAMAD AND ACCOMPANYING PARTY OF SIX
(UP FROM FOUR PREVIOUSLY INDICATED TO AMBASSADOR, REF. ITEM 3, ABU
DHABI 917 LOU), TO BE PAID BY UAEG. A NUMBER OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR AND FUJAIRAH RULER'S AIDE HAVE LED TO ACCORD ON
FOLLOWING BREAKDOWN OF COSTS:

(1) INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL
ALLOWANCE FOR SHAIKH HAMAD AND ACCOMPANYING GROUP OF SIX BE PAID BY
UAEG.

(2) STATESIDE TRAVEL AND PER DIEM FOR SHAIKH HAMAD AND TWO OF
HIS PARTY WILL BE STATE DEPARTMENT FUNDED.

(3) STATESIDE TRAVEL AND LIVING EXPENSES FOR REMAINING
FOUR IN SHAIKH HAMAD'S PARTY WILL BE UAEG FUNDED.

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EMBASSY RECOMMENDS, IN VIEW OF RULER'S STATION, THAT

PROGRAMMING ARRANGEMENTS BE COORDINATED THROUGH DEPARTMENT, UAEG AMBASSADOR SAEED GHUBAISH, AND ESCORT OFFICER. IN CASE OF SHAIKH HAMAD AND TWO STATE FUNDED COLLEAGUES, WE TRUST THOSE EXPENSES, IF ANY, ABOVE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION CAN BE MET FROM FUNDS SAVED BY UAEG PICKING UP INTERNATIONAL HIKRFARES. IN REFERENCE TO ITEM 1 REFTEL 1075 (LOU) WE UNDERSTAND SHAIKH HAMAD HAS NOW BEEN ADVISED BY UAE PRESIDENT NOT TO ENGAGE IN ANY MEDIA INTERVIEWS DURING TLBAVISIT. HOWEVER EMBASSY CONTINUES TO BELIEVE MEDIA INTERVIEW ON POTENTIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN FUJAIRAH WOULD BE USEFUL (SEE ITEM 2 REFTEL 1075 (LOU)) AND SUGGEST THIS MATTER BE PURSUED IN LOW KEY FASHION WITH SHAIKH HAMAD DURING INITIAL PROGRAMMING.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT AIRGRAM A-8585 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED:

A. BIOGRAPHIC DATA FOR PROGRAMMING

NAME: HIS HIGHNESS HAMAD BIN MUHAMMAD AL-SHARQI
TITLE: RULER OF FUJAIRAH, UAE
SIGNIFICANT POSITION AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
PRESENT POSITION: RULER OF FUJAIRAH, UAE
MEMBER UAE SUPREME COUNCIL
PAST POSITIONS: CROWN PRINCE, EMIRATE OF FUJAIRAH
UAE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES
ACCOMPLISHMENTS: HAVING ASSUMED, AT RECENT DEATH OF HIS FATHER, POSITION OF RULER OF FUJAIRAH, THE POOREST OF THE EMIRATES, ONE WITHOUT OIL AND WHOSE LIVELIHOOD DEPENDS ON LIMITED AGRICULTURE AND FISHING, SHAIKH HAMAD SHOWS KEEN INTEREST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIS EMIRATE. HE HAS PRACTICAL AND THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES SECTOR RESULTING FROM HIS

TENURE AS UAE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

PERSONAL DATA:

DATE OF BIRTH: 1948 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED
SEX: MALE
CHILDREN: NONE
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ADDRESS: H.H. RULER OF FUJAIRAH
EMIRI PALACE
FUJAIRAH, UAE
EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME
EDUCATION: STUDIED ENGLISH IN LONDON FOR 1 YEAR (1969-70), ATTENDED HINDEN POLICE SCHOOL AND MENNIS MILITARY SCHOOL, LONDON (1970-72).
KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: GOOD - ESCORT OFFICER - YES

KNOWLEDGE OF OTHER LANGUAGES: ARABIC: FLUENT
INTERPRETER ESCORT OFFICER - NO

B. PROGRAM INFORMATION

POST'S SUGGESTIONS FOR PROGRAM (PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS ARE ONLY FOR RULER. WHILE 6 MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN HIS ITINERARY, NO SEPARATE PROGRAMMING IS REQUIRED FOR THEM): AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN SHAIKH HAMAD AND AMERICAN AMBASSADOR REGARDING FORMER'S 18-DAY VISIT TO US, IT WAS AGREED THAT FOCUS SHOULD BE PROGRAMS THAT WOULD FACILITATE THE RULER'S EFFORTS TO DEVELOP HIS EMIRATE. THIS WOULD IN FIRST INSTANCE PUT RULER IN CONTACT WITH THOSE BOTH IN GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR WHO ON BASIS THEIR EXPERIENCE CAN ADVISE HIM HOW TO FORMULATE AND PUBLICIZE FUJAIRAH'S DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES. IN SHORT, HE NEEDS ADVICE ON HOW TO PUT FUJAIRAH ON THE MAP, ON HOW TO ATTRACT FIRMS WITH CAPITAL AND INTEREST IN FIELDS OF POTENTIAL IN HIS EMIRATE - AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND MINERAL EXPLORATION. IN WASHINGTON IT STRIKES US THAT USAID OFFICIALS ARE NATURAL SOURCE, WITH COMMERCE AND AGRICULTURE LIKEWISE BEING IN POSITION CONTRIBUTE. (NOTE: SINCE HE IS RULER, HE SHOULD PAY COURTESY CALL, WHICH CAN BE VERY BRIEF, ON SOMEONE OF RANK IN DEPARTMENT AND WE ALSO SUGGEST ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON HOST LUNCHEON FOR HIM ON 8TH FLOOR). IN PRIVATE SECTOR, TARGET COULD BE ANY FIRM THAT HAS WORKED IN REMOTE LDC AND CAN DESCRIBE TO SHAIKH HAMAD WHAT SUCH FIRMS ARE LOOKING FOR IN MAKING DECISION TO INVOLVE THEMSELVES IN SUCH AREAS. COMPLEMENTARY TO GIVING HIM THIS GENERAL BACKGROUND, IF SHAIKH HAMAD CAN BE PUT IN TOUCH WITH FIRMS THAT MIGHT BE THEMSELVES INTERESTED IN FUJAIRAH'S PROSPECTS, ALL THE BETTER. WE HAVE SUGGESTED TO SHAIKH HAMAD CONTACT WITH STANFORD RESEARCH INSTITUTE (AS HE WOULD PROBABLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LIKE TO VISIT SAN FRANCISCO IN ANY CASE) FOR ASSISTANCE IN PROCESS OF ASSESSMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WHICH HE HOPES CONTRACT.

LIKEWISE, RULER IS INTERESTED IN PROGRAMING WITH AGRICULTURE CORPORATIONS SUCH AS SUPERIOR FARMING CO., BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIA WHICH MIGHT LEAD TO JOINT VENTURE IN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. CONTACT WITH SUPERIOR FARMING SHOULD BE THROUGH DR. CARL HODGES, DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, TUCSON. HODGES WOULD ALSO MAKE PROGRAM ARRANGEMENTS FOR RULER TO VISIT UNIVERSITY'S FARMING AND AGRICULTURE CONTROL ENVIRONMENT AND SUPERIOR FARMING PROJECT IN TUCSON.

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ON MINERALS SIDE, SHAIKH HAMAD HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN APPOINTMENT, IF US OFFICE EXISTENT, WITH ORBIT EXPLORATION DEVELOPMENT CO. (REPORTEDLY A US OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY BUT NOT US REGISTERED). IN VIEW THIS REQUEST, CONTACTS WITH OTHER OIL COMPANIES SUCH AS SUPERIOR OIL, PARENT FIRM OF SUPERIOR FARMING, MIGHT BE EXPLORED WITH SHAIKH HAMAD. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING, HOWEVER, THAT FUJAIRAH CONCESSION HAS ALREADY BEEN OFFERED TO RESERVE OIL OF DENVER, COLORADO WITH WHOM RULER HAS ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH ABOUT VISIT (DEPARTMENT SHOULD COORDINATE WITH RESERVE ABOUT PROGRAM IN DENVER). FUJAIRAH ALSO HAS OTHER MINERAL DEPOSITS AND REP. OF US CONGLOMERATE, TELEDYNE, INC. (1901 AVE. OF THE STARS, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90067) HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT SEVERAL OF ITS SUBSIDIARIES ARE INTERESTED IN SUCH PROSPECTS AND WOULD WELCOME CHANCE MEET WITH RULER. WHILE SHAIKH HAMAD WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH SOME BUSINESS AS INDICATED ABOVE, MAIN PURPOSE OF TRIP IN HIS EYES IS TO GET TO KNOW THE US, AND HE IS ENTIRELY HAPPY TO HAVE DEPARTMENT MAP OUT WHAT IT BELIEVES TO BE MOST INTERESTING AND ENJOYABLE TRIP IN GENERAL TERMS. SHAIKH HAMAD HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN RECREATIONAL VISIT TO DISNEYLAND AND IN HIS DESIRE TO SEE THE US, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT HE TRAVEL BY TRAIN FROM CALIFORNIA TO COLORADO (WHERE HE WILL VISIT PRIVATELY UPON COMPLETION OF HIS 18-DAY VISIT). SHAIKH HAMAD EXPRESSED INTEREST IN VISIT TO NASA'S HOUSTON MISSION CONTROL WITH POSSIBILITY OF WITNESSING ANY ACTIVITY RELATING TO APOLLO-SOYUZ JULY FLIGHT MISSION.

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SHAIKH HAMAD'S US ARRIVAL SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST CLASS TRAVEL

JUNE 10, DEPART DUBAI FOR LONDON VIA BA-771 AT 8:15 A.M.

JUNE 11, DEPART LONDON FOR DULLES WASHINGTON VIA PA-107

AT 10:50 A.M. ARRIVES DULLES 14:00 P.M.

AS PER REF STATE 111880, FOLLOWING BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
SUBMITTED ON THE TWO STATE DEPARTMENT FUNDED MEMBERS OF
SHAIKH HAMAD'S PARTY. NO SPECIAL PROGRAMMING SUGGESTIONS ARE
ADDED, FOR ENTIRE GROUP OF SIX WILL ACCOMPANY SHAIKH HAMAD.

BIOGRAPHIC DATA FOR MR. SAEED MUHAMMAD AL-REKBANI

PRESENT POSITION: MEMBER FEDERAL NATIONAL COUNCIL
ADVISER TO THE RULER OF FUJAIRAH

PAST POSITION: FARMER

PERSONAL DATA:

DATE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 28 AUG 2013] PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED

SEX: MALE

ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE

EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME

KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: LITTLE

BIOGRAPHIC DATA FOR MR. HASHIM ABDUL GHAFOR BAHRUZIAN

PRESENT POSITION: ENVOY OF RULER OF FUJAIRAH

LEGAL AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISER TO THE RULER

PAST POSITION: FINANCIAL AND LEGAL ADVISER TO THE RULER

PERSONAL DATA:

DATE OF BIRTH: 1928 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARTIAL STATUS: MARRIED

SEX: MALE

ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE

EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME

KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: GOOD

BIOGRAPHIC DATA FOR THE FOUR UAEG FUNDED COLLEAGUES:

BIODATA FOR MR. MOHAMMED AZIM NASSER

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PRESENT POSITION: DIRECTOR OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COURT

PERSONAL DATA:

DATE OF BIRTH: 1937 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARTIAL STATUS: MARIED
SEX: MALE
ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE
EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME

BIODATA FOR MR. ABDUL GHAFUR HASHIM BAHRUZIAN (SON OF HASHIM
ABDUL GHAFUR BAHRUZIAN LISTED ABOVE)

PRESENT POSITION: FINANCIAL ADVISER TO THE RULER
PERSONAL DATA:
DATE OF BIRTH: 1949 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARTIAL STATUS: MARRIED
SEX: MALE
ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE
EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME

BIODATA FOR MR. SAIF SULTAN SAEED

PRESENT POSITION: MEMBER OF FEDERAL NATIONAL COUNCIL
PERSONAL DATA:
DATE OF BIRTH: 1946 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARTIAL STATUS: MARRIED
SEX: MALE
ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE
EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME

BIODATA FOR MR. HAREB EASA ABDUL KAREIM

PRESENT POSITION: BODYGUARD TO RULER OF FUJAIRAH
PERSONAL DATA:
DATE OF BIRTH: 1943 PLACE OF BIRTH: FUJAIRAH, UAE
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: UAE MARITLA STATUS: MARRIED
SEX: MALE
ADDRESS: EMIRI PALACE, FUJAIRAH, UAE
EMERGENCY ADDRESS: SAME
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